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<sup>1</sup> Depending on the applicant's choice of competent International Searching Authority, a translation into a corresponding language (see Annex D) may have to be furnished by the applicant (PCT Rule 12.3).

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<sup>4</sup> For the relevant notification by the Office, see *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* dated 22 January 2015, pages 13 *et seq.*

<sup>5</sup> The Office is competent only if the international search is or has been carried out by that Office.

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Search fee:	See Annex D(CA), (EG), (EP), (KR) or (RU)
Fee for priority document:	USD 100
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26bis.3(d)):	USD 500

Is an agent required by the receiving Office?	No, if the applicant resides in Saudi Arabia Yes, if he is a non-resident
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Who can act as agent?	Any attorney or lawyer registered in Saudi Arabia
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Waiver of power of attorney:	
Has the Office waived the requirement that a separate power of attorney be submitted?	No
Has the Office waived the requirement that a copy of a general power of attorney be submitted?	No

<sup>6</sup> This fee is reduced by 90% if certain conditions apply (see Annex C(IB)).  
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